



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2851

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
:) Examiner: K. Brown
Masami TSUKAMOTO)
:) Group Art Unit: 2851
Application No.: 09/829,915)
:)
Filed: April 11, 2001)
:)
For: CONTAMINATION PREVENTION) March 11, 2003
IN OPTICAL SYSTEM)
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Commissioner for Patents
Box AF
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

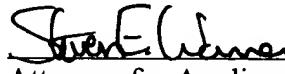
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	8	MINUS	44	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$42 \$84	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140/\$280						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

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- °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the fee for a two month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the final Official Action dated December 11, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please substitute the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 11, and ending on page 3, line 13, with the following. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached in Appendix A.

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